

## Message Text

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FM AMCONSUL DURBAN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1724

INFO AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

AMCONSUL JOHANNESBURG

AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN

UNCLAS DURBAN 0176

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ELAB, SF

SUBJECT: AFRICAN TELEPHONE WORKERS STRIKE

REF: DURBAN 170

1. APPROXIMATELY 700 STRIKING AFRICAN AND COLORED TELEPHONE WORKERS RESUMED WORK MAY 7 AFTER POSTMASTER GENERAL LOUIS RIVE FLEW TO DURBAN FROM PRETORIA MAY 6 TO PERSONALLY MEET WITH STRIKERS. IN SPEECH TO 350 OF THE WORKERS, POSTMASTER GENERAL APPEALED TTO THEM RETURN WORK WHILE HE APPROACHED SAG WITHIN NEXT TWO WEEKS TO SEEK ANSWER TO THEIR WAGE DEMANDS. HE PROMISED RECOMMEND INCREASES, BUT SAID ONLY GOVT COULD DECIDE.

2. COMMENT: POST OFFICE OFFICIALS HAVE HANDLED THIS AFFAIR THROUGHOUT IN MOST CONCILIATORY MANNER, NEVER ONCE OFFICIALLY REFERRING TO IT AS A "STRIKE", WHICH COULD OF COURSE BE ILLEGAL. STRIKERS, WHILE NOT ACHIEVING THEIR DEMANDS IMMEDIATELY, HAVE APPARENTLY DECIDED WORK WHILE THEY WAIT AND SEE AS RECOMMENDED BY POSTMASTER.  
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